

HOUSE BILL 2149
By Briley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38,
Chapter 8, relative to employment and training of
police officers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-102, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) There is hereby established the Tennessee peace officer standards and training commission, hereafter referred to as the "commission."

(b)

(1) The commission shall consist of:

(A) Two (2) police officers below the rank of assistant chief, or equivalent rank;

(B) The attorney general and reporter;

(C) Two (2) sheriffs and two (2) municipal chiefs of police who shall be appointed by the governor and serve at the governor's pleasure;

(D) Two (2) nonsupervisory police officers;

(E) Two (2) members of the senate and two (2) members of the house of representatives who shall be appointed by the respective speakers and who shall be nonvoting members of the commission to serve for terms of two (2) years;

(F) Three (3) citizens who are not connected with law enforcement: one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the

speaker of the senate, and one (1) of whom shall be appointed by the governor; and

(G) Four (4) additional members to be appointed by the governor.

(2) The commission shall include at least one (1) person who is of a racial minority.

(c) The members of the commission shall annually elect the chair of the commission.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.